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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Annie AUDIBERT et al  
Serial No.: 09/628,423  
Filed: July 28, 2000  
For: METHOD AND FLUID FOR CONTROLLING THE  
SATURATION OF A FORMATION CLOSE TO A WELL  
Group: 1712  
Examiner: Tucker

**AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

April 1, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 2, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend Claim 14 as follows:

14. (amended) A water-based well fluid to be circulated in a well passing through a porous, permeable formation, said water-based comprising a maximum of 1 g/l of a composition comprising at least one compound selected from the group